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SUBJECT: Substantive Requirements Document (SRD) for Arrow Street Pump and Treat System (APTS), Benzene Pump and Treat System (BPTS) and Mission Pump and Treat System (MPTS), response to your letters dated August 2, 2017 and November 3, 2017

Dear Ms. Seidel:

The Air Force is working to comply with the substantive requirements document (SRD) to install temporary GAC treatment units on the Arrow Street, Benzene and Mission pump and treat systems. The Air Force anticipates being able to discuss details with you in the near future. However, once that immediate concern is addressed, the Air Force would like to discuss several aspects of the SRD with MDEQ. The Air Force wants to work with MDEQ to negotiate a path forward that will keep the Air Force in regulatory compliance and not delay future construction activities.

As outlined in the Air Force's 18 May 2017 letter, the Air Force will install a long-term carbon treatment system on the APTS and BPTS; that system was scheduled to come online in October 2018. However, the design for this system has been delayed due to a siting disagreement with the Oscoda Township and Oscoda-Wurtsmith Airport Authority. The Air Force has not decided whether this system will discharge to the surface storm water system or will inject treated water into groundwater. We will keep MDEQ apprised of the progress of that design and construction.

The Air Force is also working on the design for a long-term carbon treatment system for the Mission Pump and Treat System (MPTS). As with the APTS and BPTS system, the Air Force has not decided whether that system will discharge to surface water or groundwater. We will keep MDEQ apprised of the progress of that design and construction. If you have any questions, please contact me at (210) 395-9419 or Val de la Fuente (210) 969-9465.

Sincerely,

Benjamin Marrs

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